The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3110. FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1892. SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....£ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—

D. Gillies, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit-Shan, Esq. | W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN LONDON:—

THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq.—Messrs. Dent, Palmer & Co.
JOHN BUTTERY, Esq.—Messrs. John Buttery & Co.
C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.
GEO. MUNRO, Manager.

Bankers:—
London: The Alliance Bank (Ld.)
Scotland: The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

SHANGHAI, ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

His Ex. Hsü Fü Yuen. | Lim Kwan King, Esq.
Ma Kie Tchong, Esq. | Chu Ming Siang, Esq.
Tong Kwei Sung, Esq.
C. J. GALLOWAY, Manager.

Amoy—J. ANDERSON, Manager.

Yokohama—D. FRASER, Manager.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened. Money received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills purchased and collected. Advances made on Securities or goods in neutral Godowns. Usual Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
" 6 " " 4 "
" 3 " " 3 "
CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2 "

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply to the Manager.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1892. [8

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL .....£2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL .....£ 580,000

LONDON:
Head Office.....40, Threadneedle Street.
West End Office.....25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager. [7

Insurances.

£1,000 STG. Payable at Age 55, or at death if previous—may be secured by a payment at the rate of:—

£7	7	6	per quarter if commenced at age (n. b.)	20
£8	14	2		25
£10	11	2		30
£13	4	10		35
£17	15	8		40
£27	12	6		45

AFTER the Policy has been three years in force—the Policy-holder will be entitled to receive on application a Free Paid-up Policy for proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in Prospectus, should he wish to discontinue payment of premiums.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong
932—2] STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

THE SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA.

ASSETS OVER $3,000,000.00.

Policies absolutely non-forfeitable.
No restrictions as to Residence or Travelling.
Rates of premia low.
Policies issued on all approved Forms.
For further particulars apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents for Hongkong.
23rd February, 1892. [240

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c., Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [242

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000, EQUAL TO .....$835,333.3.
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Lee Sing, Esq. | Lo Yeuk Moon, Esq.
Lou Tso Shun, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1891. [1178

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW,
the 2nd April, 1892, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their SALES ROOMS, No. 3, Wyndham Street,
THE FOLLOWING
STOCK OF WINES, &c.,
belonging to the late KEECHONG MESS,
Comprising:—
HEIDSIECK'S CHAMPAGNE, BRANDY, BURGUNDY, OLD HIGHLAND WHISKEY (7 years in wood), PORT WINE, (1848), HOCK, SAUTERNE, MUSCATEL, LEMON JUICE, BEER, STOUT, GINGER-WINE,
and
The renowned "KEECHONG" MESS CLARET,
&c., &c., &c.
TERMS.—Cash before delivery.
GORDON & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1892. [373

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land, by Public Auction, to be held on the Spot,
ON
MONDAY,
the 4th day of April, 1892, at 4 P.M., are published.

By Command,
G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 19th March, 1892. [369

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 4th day of April, 1892, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rt.	Upset Price
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Inland Lot No. 1299.	Kennedy Town, West of P. Station.	150	150	62	60	9,000	36	720

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the Mortgagees to Sell by Public Auction,
ON
TUESDAY,
the 19th April, 1892, at the Premises,
at 3 o'clock p.m.
THE FOLLOWING
VALUABLE LEASHOLD PROPERTIES.

Comprising:—Nos. 11 and 13, Upper Lascar Row and Nos. 14 and 16, Lower Lascar Row, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong and situated on Inland Lot No. 248, as the same premises are now held for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 10th June, 1843, granted therein, subject to the payment of the Crown Rent payable in respect thereof and the performance of the Crown covenants to be performed in respect thereof and subject also to the existing lettings and tenancies thereof.

The property will be sold in one Lot or separate Lots comprising two Houses each at the option of the Vendors.

For sale plan further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to
WOTTON & DEACON,
Solicitors for the Vendors,
or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1892. [365

To be Let.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

TO LET.

NOS. 9, 12, & 14, KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1892. [342

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR, No. 64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, suitable for OFFICES.
Apply to
Messrs. G. FALCONER & Co.;
or
LAI HING & Co.,
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1892. [347

TO LET.

NO. 18, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
"TUSCULUM," MAGAZINE GAP.
Nos. 2 & 10, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1892. [32

TO LET.
FROM 1ST APRIL.
"STILLINGFLETE."

FIVE ROOMED detached HOUSE on Peak Road near the Albany.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ld.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1892. [285

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER Always on Hand.
L. MALLORY.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [002

G. FALCONER & CO.,
WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS and JEWELLERS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS and BOOKS.
No. 42, Queen's Road Central. [885

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
FOR SALE.

HOUSE LAMPS, STREET LAMPS,
VERANDAH LAMPS, SHIPS' LAMPS,
CHANDELIERS 3, 4 or 5-Light,
Single and Double BRACKET LAMPS,
TABLE LAMPS, READING LAMPS, BEDROOM & NURSERY LAMPS,
WINDPROOF LAMPS, SAFETY LAMPS,
SHIP'S SALOON, CABIN, ENGINE-ROOM and BULKHEAD LAMPS,
SPECIAL CARGO LAMPS,
CHAIR LAMPS, CARRIAGE and JINRICKSHA LAMPS, HAND LAMPS and LANTERNS,
GLOBES, CHIMNEYS, WICKS, SPARE BURNERS, FOUNTS, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1892 [129

CARMICHAEL & Co., LD.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS—TOBACCO AND CIGAR IMPORTERS.
AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.
SHIP CHANDLERS AND GENERAL STOREKEEPERS.

GENTLEMENS' OUTFITTING, select but inexpensive variety.
SPORTING GUNS, RIFLES, REVOLVERS and AMMUNITION.
PORPOISE-HIDE DARK, TAN RUSSIA-LEATHER & ENGLISH-CALF BOOTS & SHOES.
SCIENTIFIC BOOKS, NAUTICAL, ELECTRICAL and ENGINEERING,
SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS, HAND-TOOLS and DRAWING INSTRUMENTS.

CARMICHAEL & CO. LTD.
18, Praya Central, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1892. [42

ROBERT LANG & CO.

DRESS SUITS.
NEWEST MATERIALS, FROM $30, SILK LINED.
A VERY LARGE SELECTION OF SCOTCH TWEEDS AND OTHER SUITINGS
EVENING DRESS SHIRTS, latest style.
EVENING DRESS TIES and GLOVES.
EVENING DRESS HOSE, SILK, THREAD, and MERINO.
EVENING DRESS SHOES and PUMPS.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1891 [89

CRUICKSHANK & CO., LD.,
FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
AND
Commission Agents.

WHAT WILL YOU TAKE.
As an excellent Table Water?
For General Debility?
For Dyspepsia?
For Gout?
For Rheumatism?
For a Nerve Tonic?
For Biliousness after Excesses in Eating or Drinking?
With Gin?
With Claret?
With Wine?

Takuradzuka Natural Mineral Water, Bottled at Takuradzuka near Kobe, Japan.
Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty throughout the East. Testimonials can be seen on application.
CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ld., Agents for Hongkong.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1892 [10

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

HAVE JUST LANDED IN SPENDID CONDITION:—

CIGARETTES.
"THREE CASTLE" CIGARETTES in patent air-tight tins of 50.
SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTES.
KINNEY'S
STRAIGHT CUT CIGARETTES.
WILLS' "FIRE FLY" CIGARETTES.

TOBACCOS.
WILLS' "THREE CASTLE" TOBACCO.....½ lb. tins.
CAPSTAN NAVY CUT TOBACCO ½ "
WILLS' BRISTOL BIRD'S EYE ...½ "
PIONEER BRAND .....½ "
COPE'S GOLDEN CLOUD.....½ "
RICHMOND MIXTURE .....½ "

And our own special well-known brands.
HAPPY THOUGHT .....DOLLAR BRAND.
STAR MIXTURE .....GOLDEN EAGLE.

All our TOBACCOS and CIGARETTES are guaranteed absolutely fresh and will be exchanged if found otherwise.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1892. [6

W. POWELL & CO.

HAVING Purchased at exceptionally low rates a portion of a Manufacturer's stock OF
FLOOR OIL CLOTHS
AND
LINOLEUMS,
Confidently invite the inspection of purchasers.

FLOOR OIL CLOTHS in every width from 27 inches to 8 yards.

W. POWELL & CO.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1892. [5

THE
HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.

THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

E. TUCKER,
Manager.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1892. [808

Intimations.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL SESSIONS of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace will be held in the Justices' Room, at the Magistracy, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, on THURSDAY, the 7th April, A.D. 1892, for the purpose of considering an application from one ANTONIO FONSECA to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises situate on Rural Building Lot No. 77, under the sign of "The Peak Hotel."

H. E. WODEHOUSE,
Police Magistrate.
Magistracy,
Hongkong, 24th March, 1892. [379

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after MONDAY, the 28th instant, the Company's Offices will be on the FIRST FLOOR of No. 19, Queen's Road Central, over the Store of Messrs. KELLY AND WALSH, LIMITED.

W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1892 [367

MISS STOLZ.

MANICURE, CHIROPODIST AND MASSAGE.
No. 8, COLLEGE CHAMBERS,
Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1892. [290

THE HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 127, dated the eleventh day of February, 1891, for Ten Shares in the above Company and Numbered 2236 to 2245, standing in the Register in the name of ALFRED EDWIN SKEELS, having been LOST. Notice is hereby given that a new SCRIP CERTIFICATE for the said Ten Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the original Scrip Certificate, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

W. H. WALKER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1892. [371

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary General MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, TO-MORROW, the 2nd day of April, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1891.

And Notice is hereby further given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held immediately after the conclusion of the Ordinary General Meeting at the same place for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Capital of the Company be reduced from $200,000 divided into 4,000 Shares of $50 each to $100,000 divided into 4,000 Shares of $25 each."

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 25th instant, to Saturday, the 2nd day of April, both days inclusive.

JOHN A. JUPP,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1892. [361

THE SHAMEEN HOTEL AND LAND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Shameen Hotel and Land Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Offices 5, Pedder's Hill, on MONDAY, the 4th day of April, 1892, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subjoined resolutions will be proposed.

Should the resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as special Resolutions at a second Extraordinary Meeting, which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTIONS.

1.—That Article 86 of the Articles of Association be cancelled, and that there be substituted therefor the following:
"86.—The number of Directors shall not be less than three, nor more than five."

2.—That Article 89 of the Articles of Association be cancelled, and that there be substituted therefor the following:
"89.—No person shall be eligible to be a Director, unless he be the registered holder of not less than 25 Shares."

3.—That in the second line of Article 91 of the Articles of Association the word "Two thousand dollars" be cancelled and that there be substituted therefor the word "One Thousand Dollars."

4.—That in the second and third lines of Article No. 94 of the Articles of Association the words "The one third or other nearest number" be cancelled, and there be substituted therefor the words "the one Director."

5.—That Article 114a of the Articles of Association be cancelled, and that there be substituted therefor the following:
"114a.—The Directors may appoint any Solicitor or firm of Solicitors to be the Solicitors of the Company."

By Order of the Board,
R. C. HURLEY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1892 [355

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

POSTPONEMENT OF GENERAL MEETING.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at the Rooms of the Chamber, CITY HALL, at 3.30 P.M., on FRIDAY, the 8th April, in place of Friday, the 25th March, as previously advertised.

F. HENDERSON,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1892. [353

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship
"THISBE."
will leave for the above place, TO-MORROW the 2nd April, at 10 o'clock a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1892. [350

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, FIUME, AND TRIESTE.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship
"BERENICE"
will be despatched as above on the 5th April, at Noon.
Cargo will not be received on board after 5 P.M. prior to date of sailing.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1892. [242

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"TARTAR,"
Bailey, Commander, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about TUESDAY, the 12th inst., instead of as previously advertised:
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1892. [228

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship
"CARMARTHENSHIRE,"
Captain Clark, will be despatched as above on or about MONDAY, the 11th April.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1892. [275

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship
"ZAFIRO,"
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 2nd April, at 5 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1892. [380

DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"HAIPHONG,"
Captain Hunter, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 3rd April, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1892. [381

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship
"JAPAN,"
Captain J. G. Olifent, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 5th April, at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1892. [378

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE style of the Firm of POATE & NOBLE, DENTAL SURGEONS, has been changed to "Dr. J. W. NOBLE," and will be represented as under:—

JOSEPH W. NOBLE, HERBERT D. REQUA, CHAS. L. SNYDER } Hongkong and Singapore.
HERBERT POATE } 35, Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, London, W.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1892. [259

NOTICE.

MR. ANDREAS JENSEN has been appointed MANAGER of our Firm, and is authorised to sign as such.

N. MOALLE & Co., LTD.
Amoy, 26th March, 1892. [370

NOTICE.

MR. A. E. SKEELS Ceases to be Manager of the HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, and Mr. J. F. COTTAM has been appointed and will Assume Charge of the Business from this date.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1892. [366

NOTICE.

MR. EDMUND THOMAS BOND was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1892.

DEACON & CO.
Canton, 11th March, 1892. [309

For Sale.

IMPORTANT INTIMATION.

NOW READY.

(PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.)

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST,"

A DIRECTORY AND WORK OF REFERENCE ON ALL IMPORTANT LOCAL SUBJECTS FOR HONGKONG, MACAO, CHINA, JAPAN, THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SIAM, INDO-CHINA, NORTH BORNEO, THE PHILIPPINES, AND COREA, FOR THE YEAR 1892.

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The various Governments and Municipal Corporations, and all Public Bodies and Companies, Bankers, Merchants, Consuls, Professional men and other Residents, have supplied the necessary matter, upon forms specially sent for that purpose so as to ensure accuracy. The Naval and Military portions have been taken from the latest published official lists and revised at Head-quarters; in fact, no pains have been spared to make "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" a handy and perfectly reliable book of reference for all classes.

In addition to the information enumerated above "THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" for 1892 contains a carefully revised

INDEX TO THE ORDINANCES OF HONGKONG;

A SPECIAL LIST OF FOREIGNERS employed in Steamers making short voyages from Hongkong;

THE PRIVATE RESIDENCES of the Principal Government Officials, the Leading Merchants, the Foreign Consuls, Professional Men, Justices of the Peace, &c.

A LADIES DIRECTORY FOR HONGKONG.

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PLAN OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, showing the proposed Reclamations and all recent additions and improvements,

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Orders for COPIES, and for ADVERTISEMENTS may be sent to the Agents at the various Ports, or to the Office of

"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"

PEDDER'S HILL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1892.

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED,

CHEMISTS, &c.

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B	Vintage, superior quality, Red Capsule	12	1.10
C	Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	14	1.25
D	Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (*Old Bottled*)	18	1.50

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A	Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule	6	0.60
B	Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	7.50	0.75
C	Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule	10	1.00
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D	Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule	12	1.10
E	Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (*Old Bottled*)	14	1.25
		Per Case. 1 doz. Quarts.	Per Case 2 doz. Pints.

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B	Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule	15	1.40
C	Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule	20	1.75
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SCOTCH WHISKY.

A	Thorne's Blend, White Capsule	8	0.75
B	Watson's Glenorchy, Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark	8	0.75
C	Watson's Abelour-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	8	0.75
D	Watson's H K D Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule	10	1.00
E	Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule	12	1.10

IRISH WHISKY.

A	John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule	8	0.75
B	John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule	10	1.00
C	John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule	12	1.10
	Genuine Bourbon Whisky, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name	10	1.00

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A	Fine Old Tom, White Capsule	4.50	0.40
B	Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule	4.50	0.40
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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1892.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Severn* was docked at Kowloon to-day.

SILENCE is often the most effective weapon in a dispute, but most people find it very difficult to use.

BARON von Seckendorff, German consul at Tientsin, has gone home on six months' sick leave.

THE Russian steamer *Baikal*, the first steamer of the season for Vladivostock, left Shanghai for that port, *via* Chefoo on March 27th.

MRS. Spooney: "Will you love me just as much, darling, when I am old?" Mr. S.: "More, dear; you won't be so silly then."

THE *N. C. Daily News* says that one of the native banks which have stopped payment in Hongkong "has a branch in Shanghai with very considerable local liabilities."

A REGULAR meeting of Zetland Lodge, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

Q C, *loq*—Another burglar, who must have been a stranger in these diggins, broke into our room last night, but all we got out of him was seventy-five cents. Some of these burglars ain't worth robbing!

IT is announced that the prosecution of the Van Dieman's Land Bank authorities will depend on the result of the investigation now being made by a Government Commission, as to the alleged issue of a false balance-sheet.

WE learn by telegram from Manila that Harmston's Circus has left that port for Hongkong by the steamship *Viksang* and may be expected here on Monday. Full details of the first performance will be duly announced.

Howell—Why does Fuller avoid Hobson now? They used to be inseparable.

Powell—They were hypnotised on the stage last week and the professor told Fuller that he was a grain of corn and Hobson that he was a chicken.

IT is said that the ambition of every newly-admitted solicitor is to become a notary-public. Notaries in England are appointed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, who receives a fee of £50 for every appointment. How do the Hongkong made lawyers get along?

THE population of Tokyo Fu, on December 31st last, numbered 1,545,726, including 822 888 males, and 714,738 females. Out of this number, Tokyo had 1,214,776, including 656,174 males, and 550,502 females. The number of houses was 341,781, of which Tokyo had 279,160.

"I see there is one class of men who are unable to obtain divorces in Chicago," remarked Mr. Grainbins.

"For mercy's sake, who are they?" his wife questioned.

"The bachelors," he replied, as he shut the door.

MR. Wodehouse is now apparently the sole working police magistrate, for Mr. Hastings cannot reasonably be expected to do much police court work until Capt. Rumsey arrives. If all goes well, the last named gentleman should arrive in the next P. & O. mail boat, about the 12th.

WE regret to note that Mr. C. J. Ashley of Shanghai met with a serious carriage accident last Saturday, breaking one of his ribs and sustaining some severe bruises. The many friends in Hongkong of this popular old "sport" will be glad to know that he is progressing favourably.

WE are glad to read that the antiquated and absurd farce of counsel wearing wig and gown is doomed in Melbourne. The attorneys there have carried their point, and need not don the stuff and horsehair unless they like. Very soon it will disappear, in the convenient summer time, even off the Bench.

ACCORDING to the latest statistics there are 340,625 miles of railway on the earth, of which 138,750 miles, or 44 per cent, are in the United States; Germany, the leading railway country in Europe, has 24,843 miles; France, 21,396; Great Britain and Ireland, 19,811; Russia, 17,823, and Austria, 15,442 miles.

THE Hon. James Johnstone Keswick, alias "Sonny Jim," we regret to hear from Shanghai, is suffering from an attack of what is described as typhomania. Share fever on the brain would probably be a more accurate description of the malady; but, anyhow, we hope James will pull through. We miss him sadly in Hongkong just now.

W. J. ARCHER, not W. J. Corcher, is the name of the First Assistant in the British Consular Service, whose report of a journey in Siam, issued as a parliamentary paper, fills two and a half columns of to-day's *Daily Prayer*. "Granny" should select some extracts from it for next year's edition of their alleged directory. Then it would be worth fully two dollars.

THE Chinese river steamer *Tai-on* took up twelve hundred passengers to Canton on Wednesday night at twenty cents ahead. The *Fatshan*, joint property of the Steamboat Co. and the China Navigation Co., had about three hundred at twenty-five cents. No wonder "*Bellyfoss*" has suspended his free tiffins and periodical saturnalias up in Cloudland.

THE British Privy Council would appear to be conducted very much after the style of a theatrical performance. The Court where the Judicial Committee sits is rather small and the bench is enclosed by a curtain which is rung up when the Court opens and the Councillors are in their seats. The counsel who has the right to address the Committee first then takes up his place in a sort of forum and argues his case, after which the opposing counsel delivers his argument. The curtain is then rung down again. The Privy Council never delivers impromptu decisions—all its deliverances take the form of written judgments. Solicitors are not allowed to be near counsel to instruct them—in fact, the Privy Council, which is composed of retired judges, totally ignores the existence of the lower branch of the profession. The Council has a freer hand than any other tribunal in the world—it is not bound by previous decisions of any sort, and from its judgment there is no appeal.

ANOTHER good man gone wrong. That is to say, he has "skipped" from this Colony, and left no trace behind. Is he a victim, or what? Time will show.

A MEETING of the Diligentia Lodge of Instruction will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Thursday, the 7th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A CORRESPONDENT wants to know "what's the the matter with Hannah?" We are unable to satisfy what we are bound to regard as most unjustifiable curiosity. There is nobody who answers to the name of Hannah on this paper.—Next, please!

IT may perhaps interest some of our readers to know that Mr. Lo Hok-pang, the compradore of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation who is at present absent from this colony on unlimited leave of absence, was thoroughly enjoying himself with his friends in Canton last Sunday.

THE steamship *Kiukiang*, for so many years the favourite Canton and Macao passenger boat, will soon be no more. The enterprising Chinese who bought her recently at auction for $8,100 had her towed up to the Back Reach a few days ago and a number of coolies are now hard at work taking out her machinery prior to breaking her up entirely.

THERE is no truth whatever, in the report, current for some days past, that Mr. Thomas Jackson has been telegraphed for to re-assume the chief-managership in this colony of the Hongkong Bank. We believe that something of the sort was suggested by one or two of the German nonentities on the Board, but the suggestion is said to have been promptly "sat upon" by the other members.

A COW-HERD in the employ of Mr. J. D. Kennedy "planted" a bottle of his employer's dairy produce and made off with it this morning. But Mr. David Kennedy saw the little game and promptly gave the delinquent in charge, and proved the theft before the magistrate to-day. *Result*: "John" is doing six weeks in the asylum now, and the sentence will have a salutary effect upon diary-farm employés generally.

IT may possibly interest the Court of Directors to know that a one-dollar Hongkong and Shanghai Bank note was tendered yesterday at the Oriental Hotel, Canton, to liquidate a fifty-cent debt, and was politely but firmly refused as a legal tender by the Chinese bar-boy. "No wanchee," said the descendant of the angels; "that piecee Bank have finish." He was wrong, of course, but this little episode shows how quickly the Chinese get on the track of anything that is in the slightest degree off the straight line.

OLD TOPER, on April Fools' Day to hotel bar-boy (the one whose wife had triplets last year):—Good morning, "boy," give me my chits—all of 'em.

Boy, in ecstacies:—All light, Sir, my go talkee Compradore.

Returns in a few minutes and says to O. T., who by this time has had two good pegs,—"87 dollar, sir."

Old Toper:—Ha, ha, ha! you b'long largee April Fool. Pay to-morrow.

THE British bark *Darra*, 945 tons, Captain Brown, bound hence to Frisco, while being towed out of the Ly-ee-mun Pass by a Chinese launch this morning got too near the Quarry Bay shore and stuck on the rocks. The *Pilot Fish*, Capt. Stopani, which was sent for, soon came to the rescue and pulled her out of the dangerous position and took her over to Hung-ham Bay where her bottom will be examined by divers to ascertain the extent of the damage sustained.

TWO scowling widows were sentenced by Mr. Wodehouse at the Police Court this morning to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour for kidnapping two little girls and bringing them into the Colony for purposes of prostitution. One of the little girls was stolen from her parents at Quarry Bay in broad daylight, and the other said that her mamma, who was hard up, sold her to the defendant for $100. Then, correcting herself, she said—"I really don't know if my mother knows I'm out" (meaning out of Canton). Both cases were brought forward by the Po Leung Kuk.

THUS the *Sydney Bulletin*:—Madame Carandini was "farewelled" in a very neat and kindly way at Allan's the afternoon previous to the veteran nightingale's final departure from Melbourne. A little group of men who knew her when she was from 20 to 40 years younger handed over (per Mr. Fred Tate) a purse containing 130 sovereigns, and anon the secretary of Madame's concert at the Town Hall came forward with a cheque for £200, under the weight of all which tangible expression of good-will the lady fairly broke down. It is not often that the musical world of Melbourne comes out so freely with its money, but, then, in this instance the good cause happened to be an especially handsome and charming woman.

AMONG the applicants for the vacancy at the Post Office is a gentleman who at present holds the post of chief clerk in a Government department. He is an efficient man at routine work—probably few can show a better record; but beyond that, his chief characteristic is an inordinate aptitude for making himself disagreeable, and for standing on his officious dignity and making a wooden idiot of himself whenever an opportunity occurs for an obliging action to be done. It often happens that he has liberty to construe his official duties in two ways, and he invariably chooses the way which causes most annoyance. If the appointment should be given to him it will be necessary to publish a few remarks about him, in the interests of himself and the public. But he won't get the position, so we shall be able to avoid, for the present at least, a disagreeable duty.

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

Inward.

Ecsang	steamer,	from	Wuhu.
Drot	"	"	Saigon.
Nanshan	"	"	Saigon.
Sachsen	"	"	Shanghai.
Zafiro	"	"	Manila.
Empress of China	"	"	Vancouver.
Ashington	"	"	Canton.
Sungping	"	"	Tientsin.

Aggregating 12,049 tons, register.

Outward.

Comopolit	steamer,	for	Hoihow.
Hailoong	"	"	Swatow.
Deuteros	"	"	Saigon.
Glenesk	"	"	Shanghai.
Alert	(cruiser)	"	Shanghai.

Aggregating 1,327 tons, register.

LAWYERS never plead ignorance of the law. They make their clients do it for them.

ACCORDING to the *Shih-pao*, the Tsung-li Yamên has sent two pupils of the Tung-wen-kuan to Tibet, as cartographers. It is said that the want of good charts of Tibet was keenly felt in Peking when the frontier question with the British India authorities arose.

THE *Hyogo News* of March 26th is responsible for the following paragraph:—"From letters to hand by the Hongkong mail we understand that gigantic efforts were made recently by some persons to corner Messrs. Chater and Mody, instead of which they were cornered themselves, and in one case a loss is spoken of amounting to £50,000, while two or three others are reported to be bankrupt, and one gentleman was so badly bitten that he has left the colony."

IT is quite refreshing, remarks the *Sydney Bulletin*, to hear that at some place on the Cameroons where they were storming a native citadel the German soldiers turned tail and bolted. They were driven forward again by their officers, who then beat them with their swords. A well-known war correspondent told the present writer in Paris that in the war of 70 he saw the officers of a German regiment using the same means to make their men face a small body of French on the occasion of the very nearly successful sortie from Mont Valerien.

THE Band of the 1st Shropshire L.I. will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m.:—

Overture	"Tancredi"	Rossini.
"Reminiscences of Weber"		Godfrey.
Valse	"Avant le Bal"	Coote.
Selection	"Paul Jones"	Planquette.
Polka	"Off We Go"	Coote.

The Band of the Regiment will not play the usual programme in the Barrack Square for the purpose of Dancing on Saturday next, but will play there twice next week viz., Tuesday and Saturday.

IT may or may not be new, but here it is as related by a Texas minister. Through the persuasion of a reliable friend, whose word he trusted, Deacon Goodman bought a handsome poll-parrot for his son. The deacon purchased Polly only after being doubly assured that she had been reared in a godly family. That night the good deacon bowed his head in family prayers and said: "Oh, Lord, bless thy humble servant, and his wife and children, and maid servant and—". Here the deacon, pausing for a moment, was startled by a voice which shrilly croaked: "Well, where in——do I come in?"

THE *Shanghai Mercury* of March 28th says:—The crash of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank's compradore had hardly been announced when news of the failure of the Yuen Lung, another large native bank, having branches and extensive business in Shanghai and Hongkong, got abroad. The premises of the bank in the Ningpo Road were surrounded by a crowd of excited and demoralized Chinese when the evil tidings became known; the liabilities in Shanghai are said to be three lakhs, and in Hongkong four lakhs. Later telegrams to the brokers here stated that all business was suspended in Hongkong, and gave increased estimates of the losses, but we think the figures given to us by Mr. Gardner (five lakhs) are the safest to accept as representing the liabilities of the absconding compradore to the Bank.

THERE is one way, and only one, say the *Sydney Bulletin*, to restore confidence in the financial institutions of Australia. Let a detective—or, if needful, a staff of detectives—be attached to each one, and let him search every director, manager, clerk or auditor every time he goes out, and if he finds upon him any cash or documents which might possibly belong to the bank, let him confiscate them and deposit them with the Government, pending an enquiry. If necessary, he should be authorised to undress the director or other officer and inspect him by means of a microscope, and to feel for documents in his ears and in the lining of his clothes. There must be only one exit from the office—through the detective's room; the windows must be barred, and any director or manager seen escaping over the roof must be made liable to be shot at there and then. No customer must be allowed to communicate with an officer of the bank except in the presence of a detective, and, if necessary, the latter must be authorised to search the customer also. The office keys must be kept by the police. The detective who looks after things must also be searched six times a day by a Government auditor, and the Government auditor should be inspected at frequent intervals by the Premier. All parcels going in and out of the bank must be examined and the officers' lunch overhauled by the aid of a magnifying glass. Anybody throwing any thing out of the bank window should be immediately arrested on suspicion of flinging the reserve-fund to his pal outside. The ash-heap at the back must also be sifted hourly by the police, lest notes or other securities should be planted there and surreptitiously removed at night by a confederate with a dray. No manager, clerk, director, or other officer to leave the town without finding security for his return, and the charwoman and the coal-man must furnish bonds for their good behaviour. If this scheme won't produce any good results, then the case is about hopeless.

THE *Japan Herald* of March 24th has the following:—As will have been observed by readers of our report yesterday of what took place in the United States Consular-General Court, on the occasion of drawing the names of four Assessors to sit a jury in the case of the People of the United States *versus* J. H. Hetherington, who is now in custody on the charge of murder, the proceedings were not by any means of a smooth character, due to the fact that Mr. Lowder presumed to present himself without leave of the Court, as auxiliary Counsel to act in conjunction with Mr. Litchfield to conduct the prosecution, the murdered victim being a British subject. As Mr. Litchfield had previously obtained permission to appear, no exception was taken to him, but with Mr. Lowder it was otherwise, and on Mr. Litchfield applying for leave for Mr. Lowder to appear with him as counsel in the case, Mr. Tison, who is in charge of the prisoner's defence, objected to his appearing. The U.S. Consul-General censured Mr. Lowder for intruding himself without permission of the Court; it was entirely out of order, and he, Mr. Tillotson, ruled that Mr. Lowder be not allowed to plead. Oblivious of the respect due to the Court, something very like an altercation ensued, in the course of which Mr. Lowder was snubbed by the U. S. Consul-General for contradicting, instead of explaining. He denied that he had been retained by any witnesses in the case, but he had been so by H.B.M. Minister. To this Mr. Tison made the very obvious reply, that in contemplation of the Court, the British Minister occupied no position there different from that of any private person. Mr. Tillotson mentioned in the course of his remarks, that in any State of the Union, the district Attorney only was the prosecutor in criminal cases. What strikes us as being rather singular, is that neither Mr. Litchfield nor Mr. Lowder was sufficiently acquainted with the modes of American Courts to have saved the parties named from taking up a false position and exposing one of them to a rebuff.

THE following private telegram was received in Shanghai from London on March 27th:—"Silver not quotable, market disorganised."

"Mamma, is it swearing to say that these stockings ought to be darned?"

"Certainly not, Willie."

Willie looked the stockings over again, noted the gaping holes in the knees and the frazzled condition of the heels, laid them down, and shook his head.

"No," he said, "there's no use of my sayin' it. It wouldn't be half strong enough."

THUS the Shanghai *Mercury* of March 28th:—The steamer *Paohua* arrived to-day from up-river, her charter having expired. Her stem is slightly stove in, about 7½ feet above water, owing to her collision on the 18th instant, with the steamship *Changwo*. She was aground on the Shasi flats when the other steamer passed, and slewing round on her heel, at the time, caught the guard of the *Changwo*; very little damage was done to the latter vessel.

THE ordinary meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. For the first time, the Board met in its new quarters, Beaconsfield Arcade, in the premises vacated by the W.D.D. After a little discussion the Board appointed Messrs. Ede, Ho Kai, Francis, and Humphreys, to be a Committee to inquire into the condition of the public bakeries of the colony. The Colonial Vet. reported that a number of diseased cattle had been slaughtered at Yau-ma-ti, and no fresh cases had occurred, and that the place might be declared free by Thursday 7th April if no fresh outbreak occurred. The Board adopted his report. An application to be allowed to construct water closets in connection with the public drains was held to be not entertainable until the drainage system and outfall arrangements be completed. The Board adjourned for a fortnight.

CONSIDERING the inclemency of the weather Woodyear's circus was very fairly patronised last night; a number of "sports" turning up about 10 o'clock to see the Japanese wrestlers, who have been brought down from Dai Nippon by the enterprising managers of this really deserving troupe, to struggle for supremacy in "pucca" Japanese style. The first part of the programme was gone though in a manner which did the indefatigable performers infinite credit. Four Japs took part in the wrestling, in two heats, the winner of each "heat" being allowed a few minutes rest prior to trying for "the win." The contest, although not very artistic, resulted in the well known "staying" powers of Japanese wrestlers being exhibited thoroughly—the winner, named "Zebra" owing to the peculiar colour of his costume, combining with Herculean strength an aptitude for back-heeling his opponent which proved very effective. To-morrow night there will be a final performance at Bowrington prior to the departure of the troupe for Canton, where they will doubtless be better appreciated than in this fair isle. The wrestlers, who will enter the circle to-morrow, are well worth seeing and to judge by the success of their *début* here they should play to a crowded house to-morrow.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(*Before Mr. Fielding Clarke, Puisne Judge.*)

April 1st.

AN UNFORTUNATE CASE.

J. P. Rose sued T. Macdermott for commission fees and wages due, amounting to $1,000. Mr. Holmes appeared for plaintiff and Mr. Wilkinson for defendant.

Mr. Wilkinson said that the American consul stated that Mr. Macdermott (who is an American publishers' agent) was exceedingly ill, and was now in hospital, where it was impossible for anybody to see him at all.

Mr. Holmes said it was very unfortunate, as the plaintiff was himself being pressed for money which he owed, but could not pay as he had not received any wages from his employer, the defendant.

Mr. Wilkinson said that he was instructed that Mr. Macdermott had a substantial defence to Mr. Rose's claim, but plaintiff was not allowed to speak nr to see anybody; in fact there had been a difficulty about serving him with the summons. He asked for an adjournment.

His Lordship granted the adjournment for a week, but said that if further application was made, there must be affidavits from the doctor, and also some affidavit as to the reality of the defence.

SHENT PER SHENT.

An aged Indian admitted a debt of $94.50, owing on a promissory note given to another Indian. The loan was really the money of a constable, the rule against policemen lending money having been evaded. Defendant gave a promissory note for $100, and had paid $5.50. Of the $100 he had only received $45, the rest being interest. He promised to pay $10 per month. He had $25 a month wages, out of which he kept a wife and six children.

His Lordship made an order for payment accordingly, and added "Don't go borrowing at such a ruinous rate of interest again—if you can help it."

SAD FATALITY IN HONGKONG.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

A painful story of a fatal leap for liberty was told at the Magistracy this morning during the course of an official inquiry into the circumstances connected with the death of a Chinese woman named Chung Asing, who died in the Government Civil Hospital on Wednesday last. It transpired in evidence that Inspector John Lee, an *attaché* of the Registrar General's department, together with a district watchman, broke into No. 30 Circular Pathway at 9.15 p.m. on the 24th ultimo by virtue of a written authority signed by the Registrar-General, wherein it was stated that the said house was a sly brothel. Mr. John Lee entered, saw the deceased running in a passage, and while he was talking to a young girl on the premises he heard a commotion outside and people shouting "she has killed herself." He went downstairs and found the deceased, who was 55 years of age, on the stone pavement, helpless but still conscious. She said to him, "I wished to kill myself rather than be arrested again." The unfortunate woman must have jumped from a window into the street—a distance of fully thirty feet.

Dr. Jas. A. Lowson stated that the woman, when admitted to the Government Hospital, was suffering from two broken thighs and a fracture of the spinal column. The patient died from the effects of the moist gangrene which set in shortly after her admission to the Hospital.

His Worship, after examining a female friend of the deceased and the district watchman, and eliciting the fact that the deceased had been previously fined for keeping an unlicensed brothel, found that "the death of Chung Asing, *alias* Ahung, resulted from some moist gangrene occasioned by

injuries received from a fall while endeavouring to escape lawful custody."

That was the bald result of an inquiry into the death of a woman who, pursued and surprised by an Inspector of Brothels, took that fatal leap which could but result in death. According to Inspector Lee's evidence the woman knew what the result of her jump would be, and she practically committed suicide. And what about the Coroner? Why did he not add a useful rider, such as the jury did in a similar case in 1877, to the effect that "the whole system of obtaining convictions against keepers of unlicensed brothels should be thoroughly revised, as the present practice is as illegal as it is undoubtedly immoral" We shall deal with this latest police fatality very seriously at a early date, and hope to show that the powers exercised by the Registrar General are a standing menace to the liberty of the subject.

GEORGE FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

The ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in this company was held to-day. The general manager, Mr. G. Fenwick, presided, and there were also present Messrs. R. Fraser-Smith, Ramsey, Skelton, Bailey, Hutchinson, Wilcox, Parlane, Cross, Grant, Barton, Hyndman, and Ellis (solicitor to the Company).

The Chairman read the notice of meeting, the proceedings of the consulting committee at their last meeting, and the minutes of the last ordinary general meeting of shareholders. He then said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I presume they may be taken as read. I regret that the results of the past year's working have not been more satisfactory; our business, like many others, has suffered from the general depression which has prevailed. There is promise of some improvement this year, and we have made a good beginning, in fact I may state that at the present moment we have contracts on hand that will keep us fully and profitably employed for some months. Before proceeding to the business of the meeting, and the election of consulting committee and auditor for the ensuing year, I shall be very glad to answer any questions that may be put by shareholders.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. Skelton seconded the motion, which was adopted.

The Chairman said that the next business was the election of two members on the consulting committee, subject to the amended Articles of Association, which it was proposed to alter at the extraordinary general meeting notified to be held immediately after the close of the present meeting.

Mr. Fraser-Smith suggested that it would be better to alter the Articles first, and then elect the committee on a proper basis. It was perfectly plain that until such alteration was made, the Company was working under certain Articles and was bound by them.

Mr. Ellis thought the committee could be elected first, and the Articles altered afterwards. He seconded the motion of the Chairman.

After a little discussion the Chairman decided to postpone the election of the committee until after the extraordinary meeting. Meanwhile the election of an auditor could proceed.

Mr. Grant proposed and Mr. Ramsey seconded the re-election of Mr. T. Arnold as auditor, at $150 per annum.

Mr. Fraser-Smith said he had no objection to Mr. Arnold, but he objected to paying $150, and moved that the fee be reduced to $100, which he considered a handsome sum for auditing the accounts of a very small company like this. He did not think there was a company in the colony in which an auditor got $150 for going through the books of a concern of this magnitude. The Company could not afford it.

The Chairman read an extract from the Articles of Association, to the effect that the auditor's fee was to be determined by the general manager. He pointed out that the auditor's duties were very responsible ones, and there had been very many grave mistakes in connection with Companies in Hongkong through having incompetent men auditing the books. He did not think $150 was too much.

Mr. Fraser-Smith:—You told me only the other day you thought it a great deal too much.

The Chairman:—I did, but since then I have talked it over with several shareholders and I have been convinced it is not too much.

Mr. Fraser-Smith:—Open confession is good for the soul! I do not object, then, if the other shareholders are willing.

Mr. Skelton said he agreed with Mr. Fraser-Smith that $150 was too much. A hundred was quite enough.

The original motion was then put to the meeting and carried.

Mr. Fraser-Smith said he wished to again call attention to the clause in the Articles providing that the auditor's remuneration be fixed by the general manager, and he wished Mr. Fenwick would be good enough to think over what had been said.

The Chairman said he would think it over, and lay the matter before the consulting committee and Mr. Arnold.

This concluded the business of the ordinary meeting.

An extraordinary meeting was then held, for the purpose of altering the Articles of Association.

The Chairman proposed the first resolution, reducing the consulting committee to three, with a quorum of two, and the remuneration to $150 per annum for each member, instead of 5 per cent. of the profits. The object was to give shareholders a greater proportion of the annual profits of the Company. It was considered that 5 per cent was too much for the consulting committee—(hear, hear)—and for this simple reason, and this only, the present alteration was proposed.

Mr. Fraser-Smith seconded the motion.

Mr. Hutchinson objected to the reduction in the number of the consulting committee. It would leave the management in the hands of Mr. Fenwick and one other man, who could form a quorum.

Mr. Fraser-Smith pointed out that the Company's interests were Mr. Fenwick's interests. Three members were quite sufficient for the committee, and two for a quorum. Five per cent of the profits, paid to a larger committee, had been a drain on the resources of the Company that should not be tolerated any longer.

The Chairman said that since the last general meeting of shareholders, the committee had one meeting only, and that lasted ten minutes.

The motion was carried.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Fraser-Smith, another resolution, affecting the procedure for requisitioning an extraordinary meeting, was carried.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Grant, a resolution providing for the summoning of meetings by newspaper advertisement only, instead of by circular, was carried.

This concluded the business of the meeting, the Chairman announcing that a confirmatory meeting would have to be held shortly, when also the committee could be elected.

YU SUI-WAN.

So many allusions, not altogether complimentary, have been made to the official who as deputy of the Viceroy Liu Kun-yi is conducting the Nanking persecution, that it would be a satisfaction to the public to know if he is really the person alluded to in the following extract from the *N. C. Daily News* of 24th August, 1889:—"The *Hongkong Telegraph* gives the following summary of a remarkable case that has occupied the Acting Chief Justice in Hongkong for three days. We notice that when it was over, a warrant was obtained against Mr. Yu Sui-wan, formerly interpreter at the U. S. Consulate, Canton, on a charge of forgery. But that gentleman, it was found, had fled to Canton directly he left the witness box. It was, briefly, an application made by Shang Him Yung, and Yü Hok Lin, the former a Chinese naval lieutenant and the latter his wife, against Mr. Creasy Ewens, as manager of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, for a mandamus to compel the defendant to register them as owners of 270 shares in that Company, which he had refused to do, and as alternative $15,000 damages were claimed. Mr. Robinson, instructed by Mr. Stokes, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Francis, Q.C., instructed by Messrs. Ewens and Reece, defended.—The plaintiffs' case was that they gave one Yü Sui-wan, brother to the female plaintiff, who was a Chinese clerk in the defendant's office, certain money to invest. Among other intricate transactions the shares in question were bought, and after the company had gone through several changes of names, plaintiffs found that they were not registered as the owners of the shares. On applying to be so registered they were refused, Yü Sui-wan, the brother, alleging that the shares were his. Formal evidence having been given of the plaintiffs' right, Yü Sui-wan, the real defendant, was called, and categorically denied the plaintiffs' right to the shares. He repudiated his own handwriting on various documents, made a variety of wavering statements, and only reluctantly admitted a lot of shady incidents in his past career. He said Mr. Ewens paid him $6,000 a year, and that he himself, from starting a penniless clerk, was worth $150,000. On the hearing next morning being resumed he continued his extraordinary style of prevarication, and after a while Mr. Francis agreed to let the plaintiffs take judgment, with $2,700 damages. —His Lordship then said that he would not deal with the witness under his own summary powers but would order the papers to be impounded and handed over to the Public Prosecutor, who would take further steps."

It is incredible that the Viceroy should wilingly insult his own government and the British government by sending such a man as this to assist at the Mason trial, and carry on the prosecution of the alleged *Kolao Hui* criminals. It is stated in Hongkong that the Yü Sui-wan referred to in the foregoing extract is the individual who is now acting as the Viceroy's deputy, and who is said to have escaped from Hongkong in one of Admiral Ting's ships of war, under the protection of the Chinese flag. The Viceroy and Taotai Nieh, however much we may condemn the methods of "examining" prisoners sanctioned by them, are at least Chinese gentlemen, and for their own satisfaction, and the satisfaction of the foreign and respectable Chinese public—for the respectable Chinese here are just as much disgusted by this charge as foreigners are,—they should let it be known for certain whether there are two Yü Sui-wans, or wether this deputy is the Yü who is at this moment "wanted" by the police at Hongkong, and whose photograph has been, and probably still is, posted up in the Hongkong police station as a means of identification. If the Viceroy's deputy is not the late Hongkong lawyer's clerk and interpreter at the U.S. Consulate, Canton, he should for his own sake refute the belief current in Hongkong that he is. What respect can foreigners and the better class of Chinese have for the Viceroy if he is really allowing himself to be imposed upon by a person, whose antecedents are such as Mr. Yü's are asserted to be? The Hongkong Yü Sui-wan having escaped to Chinese territory is safe from the Hongkong police; but it would be well, for the Viceroy to ask the good offices of the British Consulate here, to get a man sent from Hongkong who would see this deputy and tell, once for all, whether he is the man who is "wanted" in Hongkong or not. This would stop all the allusions to the scandal which may, for all we know for certain, be entirely unfounded, and it would be an actual kindness to his deputy if the Viceroy would thus clear him of these imputations. The Viceroy is nearly at the end of his tether, and he may be content to let matters rest where they are; if he does, foreigners, official and non-official, will have another proof of the utter indifference of high mandarins to the character of the tools of which they make use in matters of grave importance, or to the impression they thus create on the minds of their own people and foreigners.—*N. C. Daily News.*

THE COST OF CEYLON TEA.

"Tayelli" writes to the *N. C. Daily News* under date March 25th:—

With reference to the correspondence appearing in this morning's issue of your paper on the subject of the China Tea Trade, may I be permitted to make a few remarks, with a view to a comparison touching the cost of production of tea in Ceylon, having recently visited the island, where I had an opportunity of gaining an insight into the working of a tea estate. Assuming, as stated by "Chaa-sze," the average price paid per picul in North China last year to have been Shanghai Tls. 29, and the cost to the teamen Tls. 30 (as they are stated to have lost) the cost per lb. to the teaman would be about 22½ cents or 10½d. sterling with exchange at 4s., this being the actual cost of bringing the finished article into the market.

Taking this into consideration the following figures may be of interest to your readers as furnishing some idea of the necessary expenses incurred by a tea planter in Ceylon, in order to enable him, to place his tea on the London market.

Cultivation	5	cents per lb. of made tea.
Plucking	5	" " "
Manufacture, including fuel, tea makers' pay, cost of pkgs, tea lead, etc.	6½	" " "
Salaries and contingencies	7½	" " "
Repairs to Factory	1	" " "
Transport to Colombo	1½	" " "
Freight and selling charges	10	" " "
Total	36	cents at Ex. 1/4=58d.

The cost of plucking varies, according to whether the planter wishes to pluck fine or coarse; if the latter, which means plucking five or more leaves instead of three or four, the coolies are enabled to bring in a very much larger quantity of leaf at the end of the day's work. The manufacture being done entirely by machinery, the cost, whatever the quantity of leaf to be manufactured, remains the same, and as roughly speaking 4lbs. of green leaf=1lb. of made tea, it follows that the larger the quantity of green leaf, the less is the cost per lb. of made tea.

On the subject of fine and coarse plucking, there is a considerable amount of controversy in the island, owing to the fact that although plucking coarse enables a planter to turn out larger quantities of manufactured tea, the quality is inferior, the coarse leaves being broken in the rolling process and mixing with the finer grades when being sifted, thus detracting from the appearance of the dry leaf and causing a deterioration of the liquor. The argument in favour of coarse plucking is to the effect that, in addition to the initial cost being less, a large quantity realising less per lb. is more remunerative than a less quantity of a superior quality, and it is owing to this view of the case being mostly in favour, that such large quantities of common teas have been shipped to London during the past year. Planters are alive to the fact that shipping these common teas is injurious to the reputation of the island, and in all probability this view, coupled with the strong demand for fine Ceylon teas and the high prices being obtained for these, will prevail in the end.

PORT ARTHUR.

COLLAPSE OF THE SILL OF THE DOCK.

News has been received here, says the *N. C. Daily News* of March 29th, that one war vessel of the Southern fleet was in Port Arthur dock on the night of the 20th inst., when it was found that the dock was making more water than the one pump which has had always to be kept going to keep the dock dry could cope with. The large pump was started, but it was found that the water was still gaining. All valves and cocks on the ship's bottom were closed up at once, the water gaining so rapidly that in a very short time the ship floated. The foundation of the sill, which was laid by the Germans, and accepted by the French syndicate, who added a fresh layer of cement on top, had given way, and the caisson and dock-heads were all adrift. It will be necessary to build a coffer-dam outside and remove the caisson to examine the sill, etc.

The two big cruisers have been ordered to Hongkong to be docked, and the remainder of the fleet, which was waiting at Port Arthur to be docked, is to come to Shanghai for the same purpose.

WUHU.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

WUHU, 25th March, 1892.

Except that there has been an occasional glimpse of the morning sun during the last few days, we have had quite a continuous run of cold wet weather, anything but conducive to out-door sports; that is in the strictest sense of the word. I presume paddling through marshes with an iron "cleek" after a golf ball would be considered sport of the lamest kind; however, as the weather has begun to improve our cricketers are hard at practice, so as to prepare themselves to meet the coming Interport match with their opponents of last year, the Chinkiangites, who it must be remembered were defeated on that occasion by one innings and a few runs.

Dinner parties and receptions have been the *modus vivendi* of a select few during this week in honour of the departure of Mr. T. Weatherston, the popular representative of the China Navigation Co. at this port, who is about to leave for Europe on a well and long deserved holiday, after a ten years sojourn on the Yangtsze. We wish him *bon voyage* with all our hearts accompanied with the usual "three times three and a tiger." He has been relieved by Mr. Howell, from Hankow.

The old Taotai Chung Chang, the one who held office during the disturbance of last year, left us this morning per Steamship *Kiangfoo, en route* for Peking; it is said that his removal has been occasioned through the combined influence of the Foreign Ministers to China.

Vessels in port:—French gunboat *Inconstant* and steamship *Esang*.—*Shanghai Mercury.*

NEWCHWANG.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

15th March, 1892.

We do not see any immediate chance of coming to the end of this already unprecedentedly long winter. We have been frozen up since 23rd November, 112 days, and the thermometer (Fahr.) still registers a min. of 1 to 2 degrees below zero. There appears to be no thinning of the ice on the river since last week, when it was found to be from 2ft. to 2½ft. thick. A short time ago there was a strong blow from the south and a heavy thaw for two days, the ice was said to be rotten, natives commenced caulking their boats, and the pilots were looking after the repairs of their own craft, but unfortunately the few geese that ventured from the more genial atmosphere of Chefoo to pay us a visit, quickly cleared out again, for Boreas had only taken a short holiday and is again becoming monotonous. St. Patrick's will not be honoured this year as the Opening Day of the river, for the ice looks good enough to last till 1st April, and unless the "unexpected" happens in the shape of a week's thaw, night and day, we may make up our minds not to have vessels in port till quite the end of March, so that unless of our next courier, an extra one by the bye, telegraphed for by our popular and thoughtful young commissioner, brings us mails *viâ* Tientsin, we shall indeed be deprived of news for a long time. Perhaps, and we sincerely trust it may be so, the post offices will have forwarded mails to Tientsin by the first steamers, so that we may have dates from yours from the beginning of this month. Last Saturday's courier only brought Shanghai papers of 18th February and the English mail of 8th January. As the courier left Tientsin on 5th March we hoped to have had later papers and letters, but presume the steamers had not got up to Tientsin by 5th inst.

We have had a lot of snow. On 11th inst. there was a very heavy fall, and the roads are becoming very difficult for casts and horses—as the sun is warm enough in the day to melt the snow.

March 16th.

A strong south-wester is blowing, and the thermometer (Fahr.) which in the night stood at 14°=18 degrees of frost, has already gone up to 30 deg. (10 a.m.) As before stated, we require at least a week's thaw to make a good impression on the river, and it is to be feared that, after the usual three days from the south, we shall have another blow from the north, for it seems too good to look for such a suddenly happy ending of this long dreary winter.—*N. C. Daily News.*

DR. EDWARD BEDLOE.

No frequenter of John Chamberlain's famous resort of great men, during the past two or three weeks, says the Washington *Post* of February 14th, can have failed to notice one who is evidently a "favored guest." He is a small man, not over five feet five inches in height; gray as to his moustache and by no means superabundant hair, slightly lame from an accident, but marvelously alert in movement and manner, and oriental in his politeness. He is always surrounded by a group of admiring listeners, and is pointed out to every new-comer as one of the special notables of the place.

He is Dr. Edward Bedloe, of Philadelphia, and one of the most brilliant dinner-table luminaries of this or any other country. He shines in any assemblage. His fund of sparkling repartee, unctuous humor, droll stories, recitations, and instructive reminiscences is as inexhaustible as the treasuries of the gods.

But he is more than this. He is a gentleman of the highest character, worth, and accomplishments, with a long and honorable record of services rendered to his Government and country. Descended from ante-revolutionary stock, the American Goddess of Liberty stands on Bedloe's Island, named for his family, whose home it was. He was born in Philadelphia, not so very long ago: received a collegiate education, graduating with honor; studied medicine, and went into the diplomatic service of the United States under the administration of President Hayes as consul to Verona, Italy. Subsequently he distinguished himself by championing the cause of Sven Britz, a naturalized American citizen, whom the Russian Government, under a misapprehension, had arrested in Egypt, and subjected to great indignities and hardships. Dr. Bedloe, then a private citizen, visiting in Egypt, took up the cause of his outraged countryman-by-adoption, and pushed it with such zeal and intelligence that the Russian Government finally acknowledged its error and made ample and liberal amends to the man it had wronged.

For the past two years Dr. Bedloe has represented the United States with signal ability as consul at Amoy, China, and his articles on Chinese subjects have been published throughout the world. His investigations of the Chinese labor and commercial questions have been exhaustive, and his letters and reports have surpassed in interest and in circulation those of any former representatives of this country in "The Flowery Kingdom."

The Doctor is a scholar and a worker, an artist, a writer, and a charming talker; and, above all, he is an ardent American patriot and an honest man. He has won the respect and confidence of the Chinese and of their neighbors, the Japanese.

His friends, and they are legion, maintain that he is the man above all others for the Japanese mission. It has now been vacant over a year. Japan is, of all oriental nations, most friendly to the United States. Seventy per cent. of its entire commerce comes to this country. The Government and people of Japan cannot understand why so little attention should be paid to them by Uncle Samuel; why a mission of so much importance, among a people so warm in their friendship, should be left for more than a year to the charge of subordinates. Dr. Bedloe has shown his ability, his probity, his acceptability, in neighboring fields. He would be eminently a *persona grata* in Japan, and a great army of his admirers and friends in Washington and throughout the country would like to see him sent as envoy extraordinary to the Mikado.

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To-day's Advertisements.

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A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 1st April, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1892. [372

DILIGENTIA LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

A MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 7th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1892. [384

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1892. [382

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

I RESUME CHARGE of the above CLUB from This Date.

C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1892. [383

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1892. [338

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1892. [375

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "JAPAN" are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 2nd April, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1892. [377

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "BELGIC" The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1892. [2

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "THORNDALE," FROM MIDDLESBRO', HAMBURG, ANTWERP AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd April will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 2nd April, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd April, at 4 p.m.

Consignees of Cargo from Middlesbro' and Hamburg will please take notice that, before delivery can be obtained they must sign the average Bond which is lying at the office of the undersigned, and pay a deposit of 12 °/₀ on the nett value of their cargo for contribution to General Average.

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1892. [333

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Hongkong, 27th July, 1891. [891

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SPOON COMPETITION, TO-MORROW, the 2nd April, at 200 and 500 yards. To be won by best net aggregate; and best Handicap (SHORT RANGE CUP points) aggregate respectively. Time, 3 p.m.

ED. ROBINSON, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1892. [40

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F. DE BOVIS, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th March 1892 [376

AN APOLOGY.

THE PROSECUTION OF THE OPIUM FARMER.

I BEG to express through your columns my deep regret that I should in a hasty moment, in consequence of my not being able to read or understand Chinese accounts, have commenced a prosecution against Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN, the chief manager of the late Opium Farm, with reference to the funds of the CHEANG TEK KONG SEE. A complete investigation into the matter and a careful examination of the books and accounts have thoroughly convinced me that my suspicions were wholly groundless, and that there has been nothing whatever in Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN'S management of the business of the OPIUM FARM that is in any way reprehensible; and further, that he has all along been doing his best, honestly and faithfully, for the benefit of the CHEANG TEK KONG SEE.

I should be obliged if you would insert this letter in your correspondence column once, and afterwards as an advertisement for the period of one month, as I am anxious to undo as far as possible any injury I may have, through my hasty and unjustifiable action, inflicted upon Mr. KOK CHENG SEAN.

Your's truly,

OH TEK LEONG.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1892. [348

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The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.

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Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samanian Mining Co.—$1 per share, sales and sellers.

The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sales and buyers.

Imuris Mining Co., Limited—$5¾ per share, sellers.

The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—$1 per share, nominal.

Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—$275 per share, buyers.

The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—$6 per share, buyers.

The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—20 cents per share, buyers.

London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ld.—£8, sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$110 per share, sellers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$20 per share, nominal.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—$18 per share, buyers.

Cruickshank & Co., Limited—$10 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—$5½ per share, buyers.

The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—$10 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—$64 per share, sellers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—$22 per share, sellers.

The Labuk Planting Co., Limited—$2 per share, sales.

The China-Borneo Co., Limited—nominal.

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—$35 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—$47 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$105 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company—$120 per share, nominal.

Hongkong Ice Company—$71 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$65 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—$10 per share, nominal.

The Green Island Cement Co.—$9 per share, sales and sellers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—$4½ per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—$25 per share, nominal.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—$50 per share, sellers.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/9½
Bank Bills, on demand 2/9⅝
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ... 2/10
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/10¼
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/10⅛

ON PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 3.52
Credits, at 4 month's sight 3.61

On India, T. T. 220
On Demand 220¼

ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 72
Private, 30 days' sight 72¼

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

31st March, 1892.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer reduced to sea level. 32° Fah.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rainfall in 24 hours.
Wladivostock	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tokio	30.18	...	...	W	1	...	...
Nagasaki	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kusaghai	30.10	48	93	SE	3	0 r	...
Foochow	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	30.12	62	83	NE	2	0	...
Auping	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swatow	30.06	64	...	SW	2	0 g	...
Hongkong	30.05	60	80	E	2	0	...
Victoria Peak	.....	...	...	E	4	...	...
Canton	30.00	62	88	...	0	0 d	...
Macao	30.06	66	89	NNE	1	0 d	...
Holhow	30.09	70	...	ENE	0	0 d	...
Haiphong	30.07	75	65	ENE	1	0	...
Bolinao	29.95	85	72	NW	0	b	...
Manila	29.92	87	58	NE	2	m	...
Cape St. James	.....	...	...	NE	4	0	...

1st April, 1892.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Barometer reduced to sea level. 32° Fah.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rainfall in 24 hours.
Wladivostock	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tokyo	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Foochow	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	30.13	58	88	NE	1	0 d	0.12
Auping	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swatow	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hongkong	30.12	65	95	W	1	0	0.02
Victoria Peak	.....	...	...	NE	2	...	...
Canton	30.11	64	89	N	1	0 r	...
Macao	30.13	63	94	NW	0	0 d	...
Holhow	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Haiphong	30.06	76	64	ENE	2	0 d	...
Bolinao	30.01	85	84	SE	0	b	...
Manila	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	.....	...	...	NE	0	b	...

Barometer falling. Gradients very moderate for north winds Weather overcast and cool, with drizzling rain. (Issued at 10.34 a.m.)

s—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. s—Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. 3—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4—Direction of the wind to two points. 5.—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. 6—State of the weather, b Blue sky, c Detached clouds, d Drizzling rain, f Fog, g Gloomy, h Hail, l Lightning, o Overcast, p Passing showers, q Squally, r Rain, s Snow, t Thunder, v Visibility, w Dew wet). 7—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOSSNER.

Hongkong Observatory, 1st April, 1892.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)

To-day.

Barometer—9 a.m.	30.07
Barometer—1 p.m.	30.04
Barometer—4 p.m.	30.01
Thermometer—9 a.m.	64
Thermometer—1 p.m.	66
Thermometer—4 p.m.	63
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	62
Thermometer—1 p.m. (do)	64
Thermometer—4 p.m. (do)	61
Thermometer—Maximum	66
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	58

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Melbourne*, with the French mail of the 4th ultimo, left Singapore on the 30th, and may be expected here on the 6th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Myrmidon* left Singapore on the morning of the 27th ultimo, and is expected here on the 2nd instant.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Aden*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 27th ultimo at 1 p.m., and may be expected here on the 3rd instant.

The Navigazione Generale Italiana steamer *Bisagno*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 27th ultimo, and is due here on the 3rd instant.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malacca* left London on the 2nd ultimo.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Lombardy* left Bombay on the 30th ultimo, and may be expected here on the 17th instant.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

E-SANG, British steamer, 1,127, G. Payne, 31st March,—Wuhu 26th March, and Woosung 28th, Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DROT, Norwegian steamer, 2,189, H. Hansen, 31st March,—Saigon 26th March, Rice.—Chinese.

NANSHAN, British steamer, 805, J. Blackburne, 31st March,—Saigon 26th March, General.—Hop Hing Hong.

SACHSEN, German steamer, 2,575, H. Supmer, 1st April,—Shanghai 29th March, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 674, A. W. R. Cobban, 1st April,—Manila 29th March, General.—Shewan & Co.

EMPRESS OF CHINA, British steamer, 3,003, R. Archibald,—Vancouver 11th March, Yokohama 25th, and Shanghai 30th, Mails and General.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.

ASHINGTON, German steamer, 809, C. Zindel, 1st April,—Canton 1st April, General.—Siemssen & Co.

SUNG-PING, Chinese steamer, 867, S. H. Richards, 1st April,—Tientsin 23rd March, and Taku 25th, Coals and General.—Kwong Chong Tai.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Hailoong, British steamer, for Swatow.
Deuteros, German steamer, for Saigon.
Glenesk, British steamer, for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

March 31, *Singan*, British str., for Canton.
April 1, *E-sang*, British steamer, for Canton.
April 1, *Alert*, American cruiser, for Shanghai.
April 1, *Cosmopolit*, German steamer, for Holhow, &c.
April 1, *Activ*, Danish steamer, for Haiphong.
April 1, *Hailoong*, British str., for Swatow, &c.
April 1, *Verona*, British str., for Nagasaki, &c.
April 1, *Borneo*, Dutch str., for Singapore, &c.
April 1, *Glenesk*, British str., from Shanghai.
April 1, *Changsha*, British str., for Shanghai.
April 1, *Chingping*, Chinese str., for Cheloo.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Empress of China*, str., from Vancouver, &c.—Misses M. A. Wilde, B. Elfson, E. Larson, V. Carlson, E. Frederickson, R. Mussen, E. Swanson, Messrs. E. A. Measor, C. M. Forrers, J. F. Frederickson, F. Gustave, F. Neilson, L. Christianson, H. E. Sloberg, and 45 Chinese.

Per *Sachsen*, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. and Mrs. Morehouse, Mr. and Mrs. Moller and child, Messrs. W. Becker, R. Crawford, and 9 Chinese.

Per *Nanshan*, str., from Saigon.—12 Chinese.

Per *E-sang*, str., from Wuhu, &c.—13 Chinese.

Per *Zafiro*, str., from Manila.—Mr. and Mrs. Wange, Miss E. Marcaida, and 2 children, Messrs. E. Hewer, Carlos Delgado y Fubeta, Manuel Blanchard, and 179 Chinese.

Per *Sung-ping*, str., from Tientsin, &c.—10 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Zafiro* reports that she left Manila on the 29th ultimo. Had moderate to strong north-east winds with heavy sea.

The British steamship *E-sang* reports tha she left Wuhu on the 26th ultimo, and Woosung on the 28th. Had fresh northerly wind and dull overcast weather throughout.

The British steamship *Empress of China* reports that she left Vancouver on the 11th ultimo, Yokohama on the 25th, and Shanghai on the 30th. Had very fair weather.

The British steamship *Nanshan* reports that she left Saigon on the 26th ultimo. Experienced moderate north-east winds to Cape Varella; thence to port had strong north-east gale with high sea and swell.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Shanghai.—Per *Thisbe* to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Venetia* to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Ashington* to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Zafiro* to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 4.30 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Hailoong* to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 5 P.M.

For Europe, &c., &c.—Per *Sachsen* to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 5 P.M.

For Swatow and Bangkok.—Per *Loo Sok* on Tuesday, the 5th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Yokohama & San Francisco.—Per *Belgic* on Tuesday, the 5th instant, at 0.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per *Japan* on Tuesday, the 5th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Peking* on Tuesday, the 5th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Europe, &c., Australia, India, *viâ* Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius.—Per *Natal* on Wednesday, the 6th instant, at 11 A.M.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.

The German contract packet *Sachsen* will be despatched on Saturday, the 2nd April, with mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *viâ* Brindisi; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.

Registry ceases at 4 P.M.

The mail closes at 5 p.m. (a supplementary mail will be closed at 9 a.m. on Sunday, the 3rd April).

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States mail packet *Belgic* will be despatched on Tuesday, the 5th April, with mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

0.15 P.M. Registry ceases.

0.30 P.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the packet with late fee of 10 cents extra postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French contract packet *Natal* will be despatched on Wednesday, the 6th April, with mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *viâ* Marseilles, to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichéry, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the mails, &c.

The Post Office declines all responsibility for unregistered letters containing bank notes, coin, or jewellery, and, where registration has been neglected, will make no enquiries into alleged losses of such letters.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

BELGIC, British steamer, 2,695, Wm. H. Walker, 28th March,—San Francisco 1st March, Honolulu 9th, and Yokohama 23rd, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

BENLAWERS, British steamer, 1,513, A. Webster, 30th March,—Nagasaki 25th March, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

BERENICE, Austrian steamer, 1,740, F. Mersa, 21st March,—Shanghai 18th March, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

CICERO, British steamer, 1,030, A. George, 28th March,—Saigon 22nd March, General.—Wo Kee.

DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1,198, W. A. Dinse, 26th March,—Saigon 21st March, Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514, J. C. Gerard, 8th Feb.,—Manila 5th February, General.—Shewan & Co.

DONAR, German steamer, 1,015, B. Grundmann, 31st March,—Bangkok 23rd March, Rice.—Wieler & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, Captain McIsaac,—Hongkong Government tender.

HAIPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, W. Y. Hunter, 31st March,—Foochow 25th March, Amoy 26th, and Swatow 30th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

JAPAN, British steamer, 1,865, J. G. Ollfent, 30th March,—Calcutta 13th March, and Singapore 23rd, Opium and General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

LOO SOK, British steamer, 1,020, Benson, 29th March,—Bangkok 22nd March, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

MONTANES, Spanish steamer, 222, Valentin Venen, 16th March,—Manila 11th March, Ballast.—Order.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

THISBE, Austrian steamer, 1,848, F. Kossovichs, 29th March,—Singapore 22nd March, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

TORRINGTON, British steamer, 1,563, Geo. R. Berwick, 2nd Feb.,—Hamburg, *viâ* Touron 31st January, Coal and General.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.

VENETIA, British steamer, 1,609, T. F. Creery, 27th March,—Singapore 20th March, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, Feb.,—Calcutta 31st Jan., Penang 8th Feb., and Singapore 12th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALTAIR, British barque, 399, T. Munro, 24th March,—Singapore 22nd January, Timber.—Wieler & Co.

ERLKOENIG, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutter's Island.—Chinese Customs.

JENNIE HARKNESS, American bark, 1,305, F. W. Amsbury, 17th March,—New York 11th Sept., Kerosene Oil.—Gilman & Co.

J. WESLEY, German bark, 240, G. Schnieders, 17th March,—Jaluet, Marina Islands *viâ* Yap 3rd Feb., General.—Siemssen & Co.

JOSEPHUS, American ship, 1,490, Smithwick, 25th Jan.,—New York 14th August, Kerosene Oil.—Order.

NICOVA, British bark, 594, T. Nonls, 25th March,—Bangkok 15th Feb., General.—Wieler & Co.

PAPA, German barque, 748, P. W. Thöm, 19th Feb.,—Hamburg 19th Sept., General.—Siemssen & Co.

WM. H. SMITH, American ship, 1,908, R. B. Brown, 16th March,—New York 10th Oct., Kerosene Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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THE FINEST HOTEL IN THE EAST.

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City of Peking .....Saturday 16th April.
China .....Thursday 2nd June.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

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RATES OF PASSAGE.
From Hongkong, First-class.

To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimault, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O... $225.00
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DESTINATION.	30 day Tickets.	Continuous Trip Tickets.
Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb.	285.00	
St. Louis, Mo.	292.50	291.50
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn	292.90	
Chicago, Ill.	297.50	295.00
Milwaukee, Wis	299.50	295.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	302.30	301.50
Columbus, Ohio	304.25	304.20
Detroit, Mich	304.95	302.75
Cleveland, Ohio	306.55	305.00
Toronto, Canada	309.95	307.45
Pittsburg, Penn	310.25	307.00
Niagara Falls, N.Y., Buffalo, N.Y.	311.00	308.50
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md.	317.90	311.75
Montreal, Canada	319.75	313.00
Philadelphia, Penn	319.75	312.50
New York	319.75	315.00
Boston, Mass	321.15	317.00
Portland, Maine	327.25	317.00

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Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return tickets to San Francisco will be issued at following rates:—

4 months $337.50
12 months $393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. from Return Fare. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *viâ* Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 3 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1892 [1

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic .....Tuesday 5th April.
Oceanic .....Thursday, 28th April.
Gaelic .....Saturday 21st May.

THE Steamship

"BELGIC"

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RATES OF PASSAGE.
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Chicago, Ill.	297.50	295.00
Milwaukee, Wis	299.50	295.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	302.30	301.50
Columbus, Ohio	304.25	304.20
Detroit, Mich	304.95	302.75
Cleveland, Ohio	306.55	305.00
Toronto, Canada	309.95	307.45
Pittsburg, Penn	310.25	307.00
Niagara Fall, N.Y., Buffalo, N.Y.	311.00	308.50
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md.	317.90	311.75
Montreal, Canada	319.75	313.00
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1892. [2

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A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD-ROOM.

A. F. DO ROZARIO,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1891. [182

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE, CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1892.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Empress of China | Saturday... | Apl. 16th.
Empress of India. | Saturday... | May 7th.
Empress of Japan | Saturday... | May 28th.

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Winnipeg, Man	275	413	482
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Chicago, Ill., Kansas City, St. Louis, Mo, Milwaukee, Wis, Detroit, Mich., Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, O.	295	443	517
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Baltimore, Md., Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Pa., Washington, D. C., Boston, Mass., Portland, Me., Halifax, N.S., St. John, N.B.	310	465	543
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Hongkong, 29th March, 1892. [5

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